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**Not for Sale Sunday May 20th 2007** – get involved in this new initiative from CHASTE to raise awareness of sexual exploitation in this bicentenary year. Materials for churches to develop a particular service, resource home groups, or launch a project on the sexual exploitation happening in your area available free from [www.notforsalesunday.org](http://www.notforsalesunday.org)

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## Last Words – John 8:3-11

The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and made her stand before all of them, and invited Jesus to cast the first stone.

There is an enormous prejudice across the world experienced by women who are caught having sex outside of the marriage bed. Jesus takes on this attitude of automatic condemnation and confronts the religious leaders who want to condemn and kill by stoning. The woman stands in front of Jesus, isolated, exposed and more than likely naked. Instead of condemning her Jesus turns the table, he restores her dignity and turns his male gaze away from her and asks her accusers what sin they are accountable to God for.

In the world of trafficking and inequalities we are all implicated in the nightmare of trafficking as actors or bystanders. We need to see those who have used trafficked women brought before the judgement of Jesus' gaze as well as those who have pimped, bought and sold, transported raped and beaten. The male partner is not present in the original story, but today we cannot avoid bringing in those who are implicated in the buying and selling of her sex.

The woman before Jesus is not condemned. She is brought to a place of safety and understanding. She is given back her future and set on the road for recovery. This is the commitment of CHASTE – to bring women to safety, recovery and give them back their life.

### Churches Alert to Sex Trafficking across Europe

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Don't miss  
**Not For Sale Sunday – 20th May 2007**  
Resources, Ideas, Liturgies for change  
[www.notforsalesunday.org](http://www.notforsalesunday.org)

## What is trafficking for Sexual Exploitation?

Trafficking for Sexual Exploitation is the movement of human beings across borders for the purposes of prostitution. It involves the active recruitment and transportation of mainly women and children by means of deceit, threat or other means of coercion. It is always an abuse of power, and is now truly global in scale.

The United Nations estimates the global figures for sex trafficking at just under one million women and children a year. The market is fanned in the UK by the increasing normalisation of sex for payment on demand. Combined with new ways to advertise and commission sexual services through IT, the web and mobile phones, the demand for cheap access to sex is driving the exploitation of women's lives in the massage parlours, secured houses, and 'home delivery' services.

The 2006 police Operation Pentameter saw the rescue of over 80 young women and children from countries ranging from Malaysia, Thailand, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Romania, Brazil and Pakistan. Other research has shown that in the massage parlours of London and Birmingham alone, over 70% of those working in the parlours are foreign nationals. The globalisation of the sex trade in the UK is well in place, and the risk of profound abuse within this business is extremely high.

A trafficked woman, child, or young man who is trafficked for sexual exploitation will have typically

- wanted to experience the opportunities of Europe, America, Japan, Canada
- been tricked by somebody – a friend, an informal contact, or a family member
- been raped, beaten, abused during or soon after their transportation
- been intimidated, bullied, threatened with death or mutilation if they resisted
- been forced to have paid sex with others between 6 -20 times a day
- received nothing but pocket money or their subsistence from their traffickers
- been in severe debt bondage to their 'owners' for the costs of their trafficking

- been in profound depression and may have attempted to take their own lives
- had all their personal documents seized by their traffickers
- been too terrified to talk to anyone in authority about their experiences

## About CHASTE

CHASTE is a UK based ecumenical charity working to eradicate trafficking and to support women who have been victims of this evil trade.

CHASTE is working in co-operation with a consortium of NGO partners concerned to highlight the abuses within trafficking for sexual exploitation and its connection with the abuses of prostitution and pornography. CHASTE is also working with the new government funded United Kingdom Human Trafficking Centre to create a widespread network of organisations committed to eradicating trafficking for sexual exploitation, and to see those who are victims of this modern slave trade given justice, safety, a future and a hope.

CHASTE provides direct counselling support for survivors of sex trafficking, as well as training for police, chaplains, health service personnel, social service professionals and immigration personnel on early identification and support of those who have been trafficked.

SAFE HOUSING for those who have been trafficked for sexual exploitation is paramount. In 2007 the CHASTE round table on housing provided 2/5 of the safe bed provision for those trafficked for sexual exploitation in Britain. The Medialle Trust and the Salvation Army have been clear early providers in this important area of care. Other denominations are working with us to open up further safe bed provision. CHASTE is working with Housing Associations to develop step-forward housing provision for on-going support into independence.

RAISE AWARENESS – CHASTE knows from the work of the police that every city (and many towns) in the United Kingdom have a challenge in the area of sex trafficking and its erotic leisure industry. Not for Sale Sunday [www.notforsalesunday.org](http://www.notforsalesunday.org) is a vital tool in raising awareness and making resources available for change.

ADDRESSING DEMAND – CHASTE has instigated a round table to explore new ways to address the increasing normalisation of buying sex, exploiting others through pornographic materials, the use of prostitution on holiday and at home, and business deal brokering through the use of sexual inducements.

WORKING IN COUNTRIES OF SOURCE – through the extraordinary network of international relationships which faith based communities enjoy, CHASTE has been helping to forge new networks of support as well as building capacity in countries of source to engage with the causes of trafficking. This year we are concentrating on working in Romania, Lithuania, Albania and Nigeria on issues of repatriation safety.

LITURGIES OF RESISTANCE – To resist trafficking CHASTE is producing materials to build a culture within the churches through prayers, bible studies and new hymnody. **Not for Sale Sunday** is a key new date in the churches calendar for raising awareness and understanding of contemporary forms of sexual exploitation and enslavement. Get your church involved by visiting [www.notforsalesunday.org](http://www.notforsalesunday.org). Become a friend of CHASTE, help raise our funding resources, and become an advocate for change in your community.

Researching the causes and extent of trafficking – CHASTE chairs the research forum for the UKHTC (the United Kingdom Human Trafficking Centre) to develop understanding of the key drivers for trafficking globally and locally.

## How Can I get involved?

- Become a friend of CHASTE and support the initiatives which CHASTE is moving forward to make the UK a trafficking free zone
- Write to your MP, local police authority, or head of district council. Commend the work of CHASTE in this area and ask them what they are doing to address trafficking and sexual exploitation locally
- visit our website and click on take action for loads of ideas to get yourself and your networks involved in defeating trafficking and ending sexual enslavement
- Get your church involved in 'Not for Sale Sunday' May 20th 2007, [www.notforsalesunday.org](http://www.notforsalesunday.org)
- Engage your local schools, and your youth group in looking at relationships and the cost of love. more ideas on the CHASTE website.